

**Secretariat**

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Information circular***To:** Members of the staff**From:** The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management**Subject:** **Designation of duty stations for purposes of rest and recuperation**

1. In accordance with ST/AI/2011/7/Amend.2, on rest and recuperation, and following inter-agency consultations, the Office of Human Resources Management approves the Secretariat duty stations that qualify for rest and recuperation, determines the duration of the period of qualifying service (frequency) and designates rest and recuperation destinations. The annex to the present circular lists the duty stations approved for rest and recuperation purposes effective as 1 January 2013.
2. In duty stations where the rest and recuperation frequency has been reduced, the new cycle takes effect immediately. In duty stations where the rest and recuperation frequency has been prolonged (4 to 6, 6 to 8 or 8 to 12) or discontinued, staff members or eligible individuals who have already started accruing qualifying service prior to 1 January 2013 may avail themselves of rest and recuperation after completing the period of qualifying service previously in effect. Upon the return by the staff member or other eligible individual to the duty station, the new rest and recuperation frequency shall apply.
3. Should security or severe hardship conditions improve or deteriorate at specific duty stations during the course of the year, the frequency may be adjusted by the Office of Human Resources Management following inter-agency consultations. Similarly, significant changes in a duty station environment may result in the approval or discontinuation of rest and recuperation.

* Expiration date of the present information circular: 30 June 2013.

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Annex

Consolidated list of duty stations^a approved by the Office of Human Resources Management for rest and recuperation (as at 1 January 2013)

<i>Duty station</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Rest and recuperation destination</i>
Afghanistan		
Kandahar	4 weeks	Dubai
Rest of country	6 weeks	Dubai
Algeria		
Tindouf	8 weeks	Las Palmas
Burundi		
Ngozi	12 weeks	Nairobi
Central African Republic		
Rest of country except Bangui	8 weeks	Yaoundé
Chad		
Entire country	8 weeks	Addis Ababa
Côte d'Ivoire		
Duékoué, Guiglo, Tai, Toulepleu	6 weeks	Accra
Rest of country	8 weeks	Accra
Democratic Republic of the Congo		
Aru (Ituri district, Orientale Province), Beni (North Kivu Province), Bukavu (South Kivu Province), Bunia (Ituri district, Orientale Province), Butembo (North Kivu Province), Dungu (Haut-Uélé), Goma (North Kivu Province), Kalemie (North Katanga), Mahagi (Ituri district, Orientale Province), Uvira (South Kivu Province)	6 weeks	Entebbe
Bandundu (Bandundu Province), Gemena (Equateur Province), Kamina (Katanga Province), Kananga (Kasai Occidental Province), Kindu (Maniema Province), Kinshasa (Kinshasa Province), Kisangani (Orientale Province), Libenge (Equateur Province), Matadi (Bas Congo Province), Mbandaka (Equateur Province), Mbuji-Mayi (Kasai Oriental Province)	8 weeks	Entebbe

<i>Duty station</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Rest and recuperation destination</i>
Lubumbashi (Katanga Province)	12 weeks	Entebbe
Democratic People's Republic of Korea		
Pyongyang	8 weeks	Beijing
Ethiopia		
Gode, Kebredahar	6 weeks	Addis Ababa
Assosa, Jijiga	8 weeks	Addis Ababa
Gaza and West Bank		
Gaza (entire)	6 weeks	Amman
West Bank (entire)	8 weeks	Amman
Guinea		
Conakry, Nzérékoré	8 weeks	Dakar
Guinea-Bissau		
Bissau	12 weeks	Dakar
Haiti		
Entire country	8 weeks	Santo Domingo
Iraq		
Baghdad, Basra, Kirkuk	4 weeks	Amman
Erbil	8 weeks	Amman
Kenya		
Dadaab	6 weeks	Nairobi
Marsabit	8 weeks	Nairobi
Kyrgyzstan		
Osh	8 weeks	Istanbul
Liberia		
Entire country	8 weeks	Accra
Libya		
Al Khufra, Benghazi, Sabha, Tobruq, Tripoli	8 weeks	Malta

<i>Duty station</i>	<i>Frequency</i>	<i>Rest and recuperation destination</i>
Mali		
Bamako, Kayes, Mopti	8 weeks	Dakar
Morocco		
Laayoune	12 weeks	Las Palmas
Niger		
Tahoua	12 weeks	Niamey
Pakistan		
Peshawar (Pakhtunkhawa Province)	6 weeks	Dubai
Islamabad (Capital Territory), Karachi (Sindh Province)	8 weeks	Dubai
Papua New Guinea		
Port Moresby	12 weeks	Brisbane
Philippines		
Cagayan de Oro, Cotabato City	8 weeks	Manila
Serbia		
Kosovska Mitrovica	8 weeks	Ljubljana
Sierra Leone		
Entire country except Freetown	12 weeks	Accra
Somalia		
Entire country	4 weeks	Nairobi
South Sudan		
Akon, Aweil, Bentiu, Bor, Bunj, Gendrassa, Jamam, Kwacjok, Maban, Malakal, Melut, Paryang, Pulmok, Rumbek, Tambura, Yida, Yirol (East)	6 weeks	Entebbe
Rest of country	8 weeks	Entebbe
Sudan		
Abyei, Ed Damazin, El Daein (Darfur), El Fasher (Darfur), El Geneina (Darfur), Forobaranga (Western Darfur), Garzilla (Western Darfur), Gereida (Southern Darfur), Kabkabiya (Darfur), Kadugli, Kass (Darfur), Khor Abeche (Southern	6 weeks	Entebbe

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Darfur), Khor Omer, Kutum (Darfur), Kulbus (Darfur), Labado (Southern Darfur), Mallit (Northern Darfur), Marla (Southern Darfur), Masteri (Western Darfur), Morni (Western Darfur), Muglad (Southern Kordofan), Mukjar (Darfur), Nertiti (Western Darfur), Nyala (Darfur), Saraf Omra/Umra (Northern Darfur), Shangil Tobaya (Northern Darfur), Sheiria (Southern Darfur), Um Kadada (Northern Darfur), Zalingei (Darfur), Zam Zam (Northern Darfur)		
Port Sudan	12 weeks	Entebbe
Syrian Arab Republic		
Entire country	6 weeks	Amman
Timor-Leste		
Entire country except Dili	12 weeks	Darwin
Uganda		
Kotido, Morotó	8 weeks	Kampala
Kitgum, Lira, Pader	12 weeks	Kampala
Yemen		
Aden, Harad, Sa'adah, Sana'a	6 weeks	Larnaca

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^a Reflects duty stations with a presence of Secretariat staff members. Specialized agencies, funds and programmes issue organization-specific lists.